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Airpower is the Power of Airmen!

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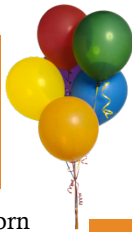
Golf for a Good Cause



The Utah Military Foundation Glow Golf Tournament will begin at 7 p.m. Sept. 16 at Swan Lakes Golf Course. The \$45 admission fee includes glow golf, prizes and dessert. For more information, email Peter Tomala at ptomala@broadviewuniversity.edu. All proceeds go toward the Utah Military Family Foundation.

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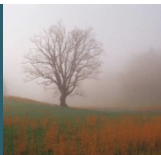
Air Force Birthday!



Happy Birthday, Air Force! Born in an era of incredible innovation and change following World War II, the U.S. Air Force will celebrate its 64th Anniversary on Sept. 18! We're very thankful for all our Airmen and families for their dedicated service, sacrifice and commitment all in the defense of this great nation.

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National Suicide Prevention Month



September is National Suicide Prevention Month. Did you know that suicide is the 11th leading cause of death in America, and almost every 15 minutes someone commits suicide? There are many resources available to our Airmen including Wingman Advocates (801.777.CALL) and the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at (800.273.8255).

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Round-Up raised funds for families

The Team Hill Round-Up Fundraiser was held Sept. 9, and more than \$36,000 was raised for Hill Airmen and their families. Spouse's Round-Up has benefited military and civilians, who have used the base's quality-of-life programs for the past 10 years. The Round-Up is one of the large-scale fundraisers at Hill AFB to benefit up to 15 programs, such as HeartLink, Key Spouses, Airmen Against Drunk Driving, Hill Heroes and the Wolf Creek Retreats.

Aside from the networking and fundraising for base programs, the Round-Up Fundraiser also provides an opportunity for everyone in the surrounding community to purchase one-of-a-kind items.

Popular auctions items this year included Las Vegas UFL tickets, date night and ski packages in Park City, outdoor adventure packages, and baskets loaded with items.

The 388th Fighter Wing is thankful for the hard work of Round-Up Chair, Jackie Thies, and the many volunteers for dedicating their time, energy, and resources to ensuring Round-Up was such a successful and fun event for Hill AFB.

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388th Fighter Wing and Make-A-Wish team up to help local kids

Eight children spent the day with the 388th Fighter Wing as part of the Pilot For A Day program, a joint effort between the Make-A-Wish Foundation and Hill Air Force Base. The children palled around with the pilots and found out more about their jets, their jobs and the missions they fly.

The kids, who all have some kind of life-threatening illness, joined 421st Fighter Squadron members for breakfast, received personal flight suits, helmet bags and dog tags, flew in an F-16 flight simulator and attended a private F-16 air show performed by the Viper West demonstration team.

The kids also got a chance to see a K-9 demonstration, and get some autographs and pictures taken with their favorite pilots. But the highlight of the day was their personal air show.

Capt. John Loveman, Pilot for A Day program coordinator, says this event is one of the highlights for the fighter wing.

"Hopefully we can create a memorable experience for these kids and show them what makes the Air Force tick," Loveman said. "But honestly, we probably get more out of this event than the kids do."

The day culminated with a ceremony during which the children received a set of pilot wings from Col. Scott Long, commander of the fighter wing.

388th Honorary Commander Nominations

Know of a community member who would be a great Honorary Commander? Please contact Andrea Houck at andrea.houck@hill.af.mil / 801.777.3200 for details or for a nomination worksheet.

Key Events at a Glance

Flew Operation Noble Eagle to support President Obama

Pilots from the 388th Fighter Wing provided airpower support to President Obama during his mid-west bus tour through Illinois, Missouri and Iowa.

Hosted a visit from Maj. Gen. Robin Rand

Maj. Gen. Rand, who was just nominated to the rank of lieutenant general, spent the week with our wing Sept. 6-9.

Held Honorary Commander base tour Aug. 30

Nearly 17 honorary commanders and guests spent an afternoon learning how the 75th Air Base Wing supports the 388th Fighter Wing. Tour stops included security forces, the deployment center, explosive ordnance disposal and an F-16 static display. The day concluded with a social for the attendees and commanders.

Held Combat Hammer/Combat Archer Aug. 5-26

Four units deployed to Hill AFB and two units traveled directly to the UTTR to drop munitions in realistic combat scenarios.

Visited Apple Tree Assisted Living Residents Sept. 12

The color guard and 388th Airmen visited the local assisted living facility and shared patriotic stories with the residents.

Visited Pioneer Elementary

Capt. George Normandin, 421 FS, spoke to the students at Pioneer Elementary Sept. 6 about patriotism and what the American flag means to him.

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